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APPRECIATION

I want to thank the Church of God
people for being so good to us during
our sorrow, having to give up our dear
husband and father, leaving me with
seven children. We surely do thank all
for what they gave and may God bless
every one. Pray for us that we may live
right and endure to the end so we can
be with him and Jesus.—Mrs. Garlan
Ward.

Rev. Garlan Ward was the good
faithful pastor of the Church of God
at Wedowee, Alabama. Our prayers
go up for his faithful widow and chil-
dren.—J. D. B.

NOTICES

I was an ordained minister and
evangelist of the Pentecostal Holiness
Church until a few months past. Now
a licensed minister with the Church
of God, I am presently evangelizing
in the State of Florida. My husband,
who is an ordained minister of the
Pentecostal Holiness Church, assists
me in preaching, singing specials, etc.
We are both former students of
Holmes Bible College, Greenville, South
Carolina. Anyone desiring us for a re-
vival campaign may write us at 710 E.
Oconee, c/o James F. Jones, Fitzgerald,
Georgia, or Rev. J. T. Roberts, 506 E.

Frierson Ave., Tampa 3, Florida. I am
yours in Christian fellowship.—Mrs.
Clara K. McLendon.

After six months of very serious sick-
ness, I am now ready to preach the
gospel. Anyone wanting me for a re-
vival, my home address is 116 Webber
Street, Cadillac, Michigan, or you may
call me by phone 1240-XR. I plan to do
evangelistic work this year. I have
seventeen years experience as pastor
and district overseer, and some evan-
gelistic work. For reference, write D. C.
Boatwright, H. R. Morehead, J. C.
Jernigan.—G. F. Crank.

My new address is 2370 Napier Ave.,
Macon, Georgia. Church address: 2360
Napier Avenue. Parsonage phone:
5236-W. We are delighted to hear from
our friends at any time.—J. A. Bixler.

Dedication of the new church and
home-coming day will be observed at
the Church of God, 108 N. Seventh
Avenue, Hopewell, Virginia, November
7, 1948. Everybody welcome.—Charlie
McQuire, Pastor.

To our many friends on the battle-
field, we are open for revivals.—C. M.
Dunn, 2246 E. Laketon, Muskegon,
Michigan.

LEE COLLEGE

When we speak of Lee College, we
speak of an educational institution
owned and operated by the Church,
for the good of mankind. Just how
valuable an institution of this kind is,
and will be, is not easy to determine.
Some evaluate the College by its fac-
ulty, some by the curriculum taught,
some by the reports that are circulated,
but if we are to know the true value
we will have to meet the students
who have been there long enough to
enact in their lives the principles and
teachings of the School, and then we
can begin to see the results.

The College will not be able to trans-
form every boy and girl into a model
Christian; neither will every disposi-
tion be molded into a standard that
will be pleasing to everyone, but much
good is being accomplished.

Students and faculty all seem to be
happy and praising the Lord for such
a wonderful spirit of fellowship and
good will in the School this term.

Operational costs are heavy and it
is felt more keenly since the Publish-

ing House profits are used on pay-
ments of College property, and at the
same time commodity prices keep
spiraling up and up.

The General Assembly asks that we
loan 10 percent of our income to the
School to help meet the payments of
the property. We are running on the
front cover of this issue of the paper
cut showing exactly how the note
look. You can buy as many of them
you want. A \$25 note will cost \$18.75;
a \$50 note, \$37.50; a \$100 note, \$75;
a \$500 note, \$375; a \$1,000 note, \$750. In-
terest rate is the same as on Govern-
ment bonds, and the notes mature in
ten years. Just fill in your name and
address, stating the kind of note you
want, tear off that sheet of the paper
and mail it, with your money, to R. R.
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out, signed, and mailed to you. Send
money orders, or, if you send checks,
there will be a few days' delay. Be sure
your name and address is written
correctly on the note, also your return
address on the envelope. If you want
one \$25 note, send \$18.75. If you want
two \$25 notes, or one \$50 note, just
send \$37.50. If you desire two \$50 notes
or one \$100 note, just send \$75. If you
desire a \$500 note, send \$375. If you
desire a \$1,000 note, or two \$500 notes,
just send \$750.

This is a splendid way to save some
money. Invest in these College notes
and you will be helping the Church
educate boys and girls to be more ef-
ficient in the Lord's work, and at the
same time your money will be drawing
interest.

We solicit your cooperation in this
drive between now and December 15.
help us over the hump January 1.
H. L. Chesser, General Overseer.

OUR READERS WRITE

Brother Bright, you may depend on
North Carolina working and boosting
the *Evangel* circulation. I understand
at the Assembly that North Carolina
took first place in subscriptions, and
we shall endeavor to hold that place.
We are ready to cooperate with you
and wish you well in your position of
Editor-in-Chief of our publications.
E. W. Williams, State Overseer
North Carolina.

I enjoy reading the *Evangel*. I
know the Church of God folks are on
the right road to heaven. Wish you
much success in your new work.—
Frank Logue, Boykin, S. C.

EDITORIALS...

NATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK November 7-13

Our Forty-first Assembly at Birmingham, Alabama, following very important measure was passed on behalf of our education department:

That the Church of God in general make special observance of American Education Week, said observance be for the promotion of the financial and educational interest of the Bible Training School and College. That the financial drives of said week be conducted on the basis of will offerings.

That the program for this week shall be outlined and sponsored by our Youth Program Committee, in cooperation with the general and state officials of the Church, and that this be included in the contest for the National E. E. Banner."

Reverend Ralph Williams, National Youth Director, has respect, support, and cooperation of the state, district, and local directors of the youth work. Therefore, since this program is outlined and sponsored by our youth department, I am sure it will be conducted to a very successful conclusion.

NEWSSTAND CHAIN BUILT BY "THANK YOU'S"

While waiting in the lobby of a hotel, we noticed the following slogan over the newspaper stand: "Your Purchase If We Ever Forget To Thank You." We wondered at its origin and have since learned it.

Back in the nineties, two brothers named Hickey, one five years old and the other seventeen, sold newspapers in Davenport, Iowa. They never failed to thank their customers, and became noted for their politeness.

When they had saved \$745, they decided to open a newsstand of their own, and to use as their slogan: "Your Purchase Free If We Ever Forget To Thank You." This man is faithfully lived up to by all their employees.

They prospered to such an extent that today they have hundred establishments in fifty-four cities throughout United States and one in Havana, Cuba.

This business, built on courtesy, is a standing rebuke to prevalent spirit of unthankfulness.

While listing the characteristics of the perilous times in which we are living, and the ones to follow, the apostle mentioned the fact that men would be "unthankful" (1 Timothy 3:1-5).

How rarely is God thanked by His creatures for health, strength, soundness of mind, food, raiment, shelter, freedom, crops, harvests, prosperity, and prospects!

How seldom does the general public thank God for what He has done! How often is He thanked for His love, grace, and mercy? and when for the news of Christ which is His power, or dynamite, unto salvation to everyone that believeth?

A deeply troubled soul approached a preacher and asked if she was not saved, although she knew about the death of Christ for our sins and His resurrection for our justification.

The preacher asked: "Have you ever heartily thanked Him for the unspeakable gift of His love, the Lord Jesus Christ?"

Her answer was, "No," and upon so saying she dropped

to her knees and confessed her base ingratitude throughout her life, then expressed genuine thankfulness for the Christ of God and His atoning death on her behalf. She rose from her knees a completely changed person.

She now appreciates the exhortation about giving thanks "always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ," Ephesians 5:20.

If we never expressed any more thankfulness to our relatives, friends, and neighbors for their acts of courtesy than we do to God for His acts of wisdom, love, and power, what would they think and say of us? Because there is no such thing as an absolutely perfect human memory, we wonder how many customers received "free purchases" from the Hickey establishments throughout the years, because of someone's failure to thank them.

If we had to pay a price each time we forgot to thank God for His gifts, blessings, mercies, and favors, it would be a costly, but worthwhile lesson in thankfulness! "Be ye thankful!"

EVANGEL

Special attention should be given to the circulation of the *Evangel* and other publications, especially the *Lighted Pathway* and *Macedonian Call*.

You now can secure the *Evangel* four years for \$5.00. The *Lighted Pathway*, *Evangel* and *Macedonian Call*—all three can be secured one year for \$3.00. The *Evangel* can also be ordered in rolls at the rate of three cents a copy, less 20 per cent discount if paid within thirty days. Pastors, or those ordering these rolls will, of course, be held responsible for payment. Payments should be made promptly.

The *Evangel* has been available in rolls some thirteen years, during which time there has been more or less circulation in this manner. It has been placed on Sunday School literature order blanks for about two years where it is also made available in rolls.

If Sunday School superintendents and pastors of churches would give special interest to the circulation of the *Evangel* in rolls, it would help your people and your church greatly. Your efforts will be appreciated by all concerned.—State Overseer, E. C. Clark.

The above statement from "The Voice," Ohio's state paper, is deeply appreciated by this department. Brother Clark has served as Editor-in-Chief enough to know how much cooperation is needed and appreciated here.

A GRAND VISIT

On October 9, it was the delightful privilege of Sister Bright and me to visit the second church that I pastored in the Church of God—Belton, South Carolina.

It had been ten years since we left the church, and our work, as you know, has been quite varied since then; but meeting with the members, many of whom were there when I accepted the charge, many I received in the church, and many new members, was a very gracious treat to us.

It was good to see their new pastor and family. I had the pleasure of working with Brother G. C. Hamby when I was state overseer of Tennessee. He will do a great work there at Belton, and he has a splendid membership to help him.

While there we were entertained kindly in the excellent home of Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell.

ECHOES from LEE COLLEGE

Lee College Clubs

Every Thursday morning at ten o'clock, students and faculty, instead of going to chapel as on other days, assemble in different places over the campus for club meetings. On the first and third Thursdays of each month, the Missions, Music, Youth for Christ, and Home Economics Clubs meet. On the second and fourth Thursdays, the Ministerial, Spanish, Athletic, and French Clubs meet. A student may join any two clubs he desires. The club programs are planned for entertainment, education, and devotion. This week we are featuring the Spanish Club. There will be more about other clubs and their activities later.

Here and There

The Reverend William Dych was guest speaker at Lee College Sunday evening, October 17. His subject was "Triumph Through Surrender."

The Reverend and Mrs. John C. Jernigan have been recent visitors at the School.

Around two hundred veterans are now attending Lee College. Many of these veterans are married and have families. Old Main, Providence Hall, and Victory Hall are completely given over for living quarters for married couples.

All high-school girls are now living in Cosmopoliton Hall. Miss Margareta Poulos is continuing to do an excellent job as supervisor of the girls in this department.

Perhaps there are questions concerning Lee College that your church or Y.P.E. would like to have answered on this page. If you have such questions, we shall be glad to answer them. Address all inquiries to Dorothy Poteat, Lee College, Cleveland, Tennessee.

Rev. A. S. Erickson, Missionary from Peru, Speaks at Spanish Club

The Reverend A. S. Erickson, a missionary to Peru for seventeen years, now serving as artist for the Mace-

donian Call and co-editor of the *Spanish Evangel* at the Church of God Publishing House, Cleveland, Tenn., spoke to the Spanish Club in the Lee College auditorium, Thursday, October 14.

The Reverend Erickson said during the time he had been in Peru he had become one of the people and ceased to be an American. He emphasized the fact that when you carry the gospel to the Indians you cannot impose on them the American way of life. The gospel will clean up their lives and they will become Christians, but a missionary will miss the mark if he tries to Americanize them.

The purposes of the Spanish Club are to create within the members a deeper interest in the Latin American countries, their people and customs, to improve the knowledge of the Spanish language, to foster a friendly spirit among the Spanish students of Lee College, and to promote an interest in the missions of all Spanish-speaking countries.

The Spanish Club has some definite project each year. Last year the club paid the expenses of a Mexican girl in Lee College.

The following officers were elected at the first regular meeting of the Club this fall: president, Thomas McKelvey; vice-president, Sixto Molina; secretary and treasurer, Le Moyne Swiger; chaplain, Jose Rodriguez; sergeant at arms, Herbert Ambris; parliamentarian, Bruce Vanoer.—Miss Dora P. Myers, Sponsor.

The Students Speak

I am thankful that the Lord has permitted me to attend Lee College this year. He has been blessing and we are looking forward to greater blessings before the school term ends.

When we left California to come to school we were quite confused as to what to expect. We had heard that since the School had moved and grown, with the addition of the Junior College Department, it was "quite formal" and not the school it used to be. The first day here I found this statement to be misleading. School

started out with the spirit of a great camp meeting and has continued such a spirit. Everyone is so friendly and Christian fellowship is observed everywhere on the campus and in the classrooms, as well as in the chapel services. Several have been saved since school began, and some have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

In these days one should be thankful from the bottom of his heart for the Christian college, where we can attend and send our young people, with the fear of their being filled with "ism" of this world. Lee College puts Christ first in everything.

Young people in high school, or just out of college, or those wanting to prepare for Christian work should not be deprived of the opportunity of attending this fine Christian school. Lee College stands for the gospel of Christ, contributing hundred per cent. I give a big heart recommendation to LEE COLLEGE. National Clyde R. Stinson, Salinas, California.

Lee College will go down through the years as a light and guide to hundreds of students, giving them a deeper understanding of life, God and humanity.—Vera Guerra, New York.

Lee College has been a great inspiration to me spiritually. I have greater determination to work for the Lord than I have ever felt before. Hazel Shaw, Tennessee.

I like Lee College because, not only do we have good, Spirit-filled teachers to enlighten us on God's Word, but we have sweet fellowship with God and our brothers and sisters. It is just like a long camp meeting, where good friends can get together and enjoy God's blessings.—Robert Lee Holm, California.

There is certainly a fine spirit of unity and thoughtfulness one for another here at school this year. We are having some fine chapel services, and the Lord is blessing in every way. It is good to study the Word of God in such a fine atmosphere. Thank God for such a privilege.—Hazel Ash, South Carolina.

LEE COLLEGE - SECOND SEMESTER

Third NSSA Annual Convention

The third annual convention of the National Sunday School Association convened in Denver, Colorado, October 15. It was my privilege to attend, in company with Reverends Zeno C. Sharp, Assistant General Overseer, and Ralph Williams, National Youth Director.

God is undertaking in a wonderful way for the National Sunday School Association. The following high lights of the convention and special information give you an idea of the Association in action:

Special Features—F.B.I. representative made a statement similar to facts of J. Edgar Hoover's article in our "Youth and Sunday School Worker's Bulletin" in September—Mr. K. Armstrong, Christian layman, contributing editor of "Reader's Digest."

Nationally Known Speakers—Dr. S. Hollomon, Southern Baptist pastor; Dr. Archer E. Anderson, Presbyterian pastor, President of NSSA; Frank Warren, College President; Robert "Bob" Shuler, Methodist pastor.

Departmental Specialists in Christian Education—Miss Eunice Fischer, Stella Daleburn, Mrs. George Lewis, Rev. W. Randall Skillen, Jr., Rev. T. Westphal, M. L. Grable, Paul Deback, Dr. R. L. Decker.

Practical Aspects of Christian Education—Rev. Milford Sholund, Russell T. Hitt, Mrs. Mildred Stamm, C. Honderick.

WHY THE NATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION Presents the Uniform Bible Lesson Series

NEW SERIES NEEDED

The present International Series of Sunday School lessons have become increasingly objectionable for use by those who want to emphasize true evangelical Christianity. These increasing objections have been due to the fact that the International Series have emphasized pacifism, social action, and kindred subjects.

NEW SERIES PREPARED

As far back as 1939 a meeting of so-

called "independent" publishers was held to discuss the advisability of a new series of Uniform Bible Study Lessons. No definite action came as a result of this meeting. In December of 1943, however, the National Association of Evangelicals appointed Dr. Clarence H. Benson as chairman of a new lesson committee. Dr. Benson did much preliminary work along the line of research and preparation. In May of 1945, a temporary organization of the National Sunday School Association was formed, and, two months later, the new lesson committee, as appointed by the NSSA, began actual preparation of the new Uniform Series.

The NSSA Committee, after many weeks of individual preparation and days of joint preparation, presented the first year of this new and original series to our first National Convention in Chicago in October of 1946. This first year's outlines were for use in the year 1948.

NEW SERIES DEFINED

The U.B.L.S. recognizes that the whole Bible is the textbook for the Sunday School. For Uniform Lessons, however, there must be included in every lesson some material for pictures for the younger groups. There must also be some material for action stories for the junior and adolescent age groups. Lesson material, for instance, taken exclusively from the book of Proverbs could not meet this requirement. Because of these reasons, most of the lessons include several Scripture portions.

The U.B.L.S. is also prepared with the knowledge that many Sunday School attendants go to Sunday School only for a short time. Because of this fact, a verse by verse study of the Bible might limit the knowledge of some to such a book as the book of Leviticus. That is the reason that the U.B.L.S. takes material from different parts of the Bible each quarter.

The U.B.L.S. is also prepared for the purpose of presenting the great doctrines of the Bible as accepted and believed by true evangelicals.

NEW SERIES ACCEPTED

The Lord's hand of blessing has been bountifully manifest in the widespread acceptance of these new Uniform Lessons. During the very first year's use, more than one million Sunday School pupils studied these lessons from quarterlies prepared by various publishers.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible, authoritative word of God.
2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
3. We believe in the deity of Christ, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost: they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Christ.

I have given you this information so you may better appreciate our affiliation with the NSSA. It was my honor to be elected as a committee member, succeeding Brother J. H. Walker. This is recognition the Church of God can rightfully appreciate. Dr. H. H. Savage is the new president. I have never heard more emphasis placed on the infallibility and divine inspiration of the Bible, salvation only through the blood of Jesus, and a united front in winning the youth to the Christian faith than was expressed during the convention in Denver.

OPENS JANUARY 24 - PLAN NOW TO ENROLL

Atonement Through the Blood

By Rev. Ivan R. Stone

Text: Rom. 5:11

"And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have received the atonement."

Introduction: Blood atonement is the most vital doctrine in the entire Bible. Take away the blood and all else goes too.

Definition: The word "atonement" is used seventy-nine times in the Old Testament, and one time in the New Testament. The word "atonements" occurs one time in the Bible, in Exod. 30:10. The word in Hebrew, in the Old Testament, means "to cover, or covering." In the New Testament, the word means "reconciliation," and is so rendered in Rom. 5:11, in the *Revised Version*.

1. The origin and beginning of sacrifice and atonement.

God's Word teaches that blood atonement was in the mind and purpose of God before the foundation of the world (earth). Proof: 1 Peter 1:19, 20 declares that Christ was "as of a lamb without blemish and without spot," and "was foreordained before the foundation of the world (earth), but was manifest in these last times" for us. Rev. 13:8, "... the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." He was potentially slain in the mind and plan of God from the foundation of the world, though He was not actually slain until the fulness was come (Gal. 4:4) in A. D. 30, outside the walls of Jerusalem.

God chose, before the foundation of the world (earth), to have a holy band of saints and this could be made possible only by the blood atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ. Eph. 1:4. Peter told the Jews at Pentecost that in their ignorance they had, by wicked hands, crucified Christ. They had, nevertheless, fulfilled the eternal purpose of God, for He (Christ) was delivered by the determinate council and foreknowledge of God. Acts 2:23. From these scriptures we see that blood atonement was no afterthought on the part of God, but was designed by Him some time in the eternal past, before the world began.

2. The origin of blood and atonement on the earth.

The first mention of blood sacrifice and atonement is in the third chapter of Genesis. V. 21. After Adam and Eve had sinned (VV. 6,7), they saw themselves naked. They attempted to hide their shame with fig-leaf religion, but all their efforts to hide themselves outwardly with fig leaves and inwardly with excuses were in vain. It is then we read that the Lord made coats of skins and clothed them. The record here does not say plainly that an animal was slain, but it certainly implies that, since an animal had to be slain before it was skinned.

There is a great deal of fig-leaf religion in the world to-day, people vainly attempting to set up a system of good works and gain heaven in the final end because of some good deed. But the Bible says in Isa. 64:6 that "all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags." And Paul, in Eph. 2:8, declares that we are saved by Grace through faith, and that salvation is a gift of God.

The second mention of blood atonement in the Bible is found in Gen. 4:3, 4. Here we read that in process of time it came to pass that Cain and Abel brought their offerings unto the Lord. Cain brought the fruit of the ground but Abel brought the firstlings of his flock, and the fat thereof. The result was that the Lord had respect unto Abel and his offerings, but unto Cain and his offerings He had not respect. The reason is clear. Cain's religion was void of any atoning blood, or need of atonement. Therefore, he and his offering and worship was rejected. Here we have the appearance of a modern religion. This world is literally blanketed with it to-day, and this will no more be accepted by God in the final analysis than Cain's was. But Abel's sacrifice, in which atoning blood was shed, was his confession of sin and his need for an atonement (covering), and his offering was a correlation to Heb. 9:22, that without the shedding of blood there is no remission.

3. Old Testament sacrifices and their efficacy.

To what extent did Old Testament sacrifices deal with the sin problem? We reply that Old Testament sacrifices were good, else they would not have been divinely ordained by God. But they were imperfect, temporary and inadequate to completely deal with the sin problem. They were a means whereby a sinning Israelite could atone for his sins, and continue to have fellowship with a Holy God after he had fulfilled the conditions of this order of worship; he could rest upon the promise given. Lev. 4:26, "And the priest shall make an atonement for him, as concerning his sin, and it shall be forgiven him."

Old Testament sacrifices are described as carnal ordinances imposed on them (the Jews) until the time of reformation (Calvary). Heb 9:10. They were rites which removed bodily defilements, but in themselves alone embodied no spiritual virtues. "The blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer... sanctifyeth to the purifying of the flesh," Heb. 9:13. The blood of these animals atoned for the outward defilements of an Israelite who was cut off from the camp of Israel, but did not *cleanse the soul from inbred sin*. "For the law made nothing perfect," Heb. 7:19. The law could open the sinner's eyes to his sin. Rom. 3:20. By the law is the knowledge of sin. But it could not completely put it away, "for it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins," Heb. 10:4. But the blood of animals could atone (cover) for the offerers' sins, and this God accepted in anticipation of the death of His beloved Son on the cross, when they would be forever put away.

Note this New Testament proof for this. Heb. 9:26. "But now once in the end of the world (age, Jewish age) hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself." Christ Himself closed the Jewish age, and opened up the age of grace by shedding His own precious blood on the cross. Heb. 10:9, "He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second." V. 10. We are sanctified (made holy) through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all, not the body of an animal.

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Our Boys and Girls . . .

CHURCH OF GOD ORPHANAGE

WILLIAM F. DYCH, Superintendent

Montgomery Avenue

Cleveland, Tennessee

"GOOD 'OLE' 'LASSES" has been running off the pan for the past several days at our South Lee Highway farm. We are now enjoying the benefits of considerable labor by having sorghum syrup for our pancakes and hot biscuits.

In the spring the sorghum seed was planted. After it came up it had to be cultivated several times. The boys also had to do considerable hoeing to control the weeds. Then, it had to be thinned out, as it came up too thick in places. After it was laid by, there wasn't much more to do to it until the time came to make it into syrup.

One of the first things to be done

was to strip the leaves off the stalks. For the benefit of those who have never seen it grow, it resembles corn—a similar stalk, with leaves that would remind you of the leaves on a corn-stalk. The stalk has considerable juice in it. The children-enjoy chewing the stalk to obtain the benefit of the delicious juice it contains. During this time it is common to see many with cane sticks in their mouths. As a rule, the leaves are stripped off with sticks. It is quite a sight to see forty or fifty boys tackle a cane patch. You can rest assured they strip it, one way or another.

Next, we cut the cane and lay it in

piles on the ground. After this, some of the boys cut the tops off. These tops are filled with seed. They make very good feed for chickens and stock, and the choice ones bring a good price for seed. Now we haul it to the sorghum mill. Here we have rollers through which the cane is put to obtain the juice. From the juice barrel it runs to the pan where it is "refined." We have a copper pan, about twelve feet long, with sections in it. Under the pan you must keep a hot fire to boil the juice continually until it runs off the other end a finished product. We have an old syrup-maker named "Uncle Jim" Green, who is making some of the finest syrup you ever tasted. He should know how, as he has been making syrup for about forty years. You may be sure that practically every child in the Home is enjoying "GOOD 'OLE' 'LASSES'."

It will not be long now until Thanksgiving. We are planning that each child will have a traditional American Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings.

Until we meet again through this medium, we request an interest in everyone's prayers for our work.

BACKSLIDER SAVED AND BROUGHT FROM DEATHBED

GADSDEN, Ala.—I do praise Jesus for what He means to me just now. I had rather have Jesus than anything I know. I promised the Lord if He would save me and heal my body I would testify for Him. I was in the hospital very sick, and I was a backslider. God had been dealing with me for a long time. I did not answer His call, so I was taken very sick and rushed to the hospital. They gave me all kinds of tests and said I had spinal infection which was very serious. I knew I was unsaved, but I was too sick to pray. I could not get my mind on the Lord long enough to pray. My good praying mother, a Church of God member, cried out in prayer for me. She knew I was almost gone and without God in my heart. Mother and a number of praying people held on to God for me. I did not know anything or anybody. All at once I realized I was dying. I tried to open my eyes but could not. I was too weak to think, but I breathed a prayer the best I could. I saw where I was going. God let me see a lake of fire which was hell, and I was slipping right into it. I gave up everything and said,

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WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Let's All Make
TWICE the Effort
To Reach Our Goal by
JANUARY 31, 1949

We appeal to you . . . to all members of our supporting groups . . . to all other friends interested in our work . . . for donations of coupons from the products listed below.

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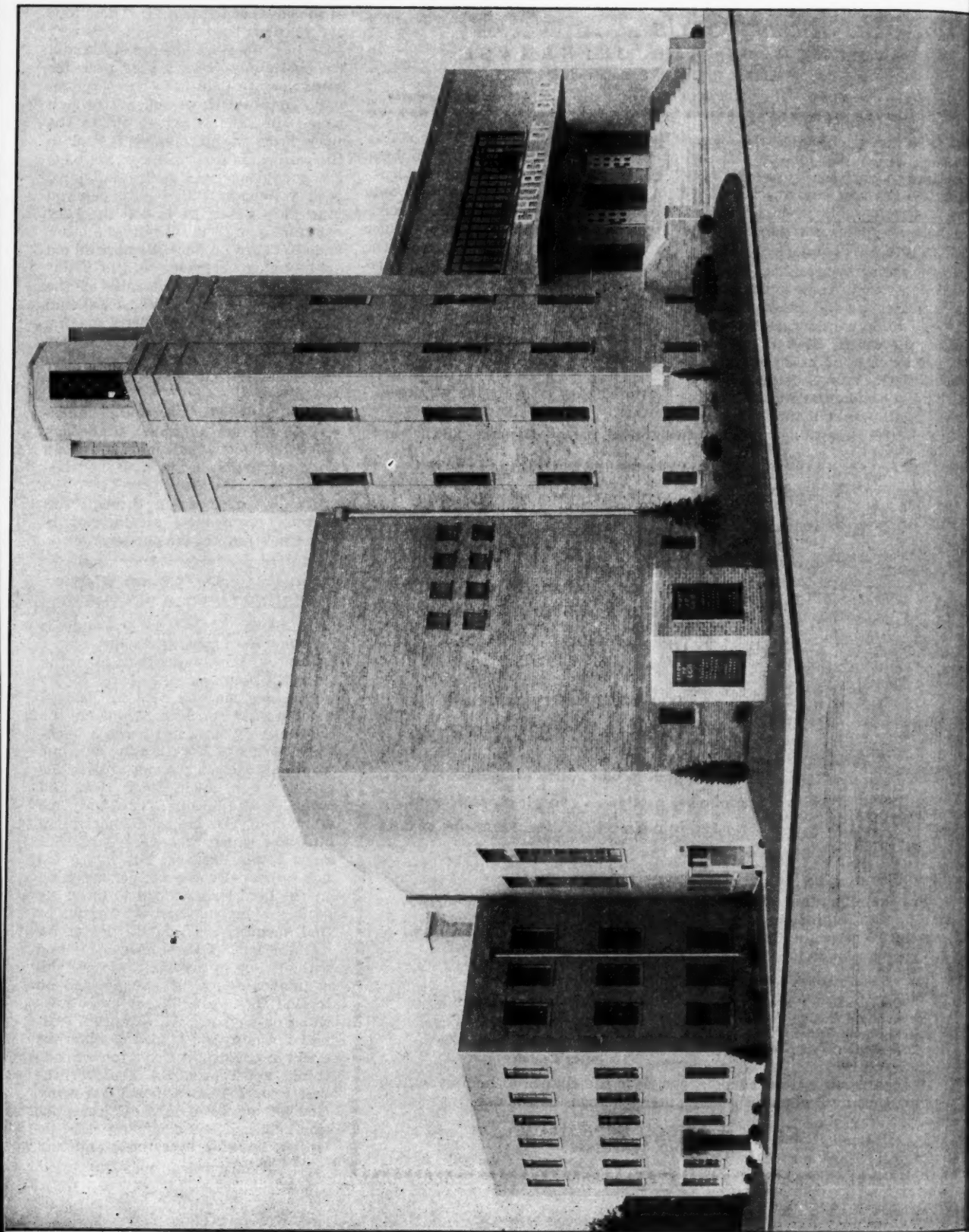
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OVEMBER

The Church of Churches

A MORE Magnificent church edifice than the recently constructed Greenville, S. C., church is yet to be built. It is colossal in magnitude and spacious in dimensions. It has the outward appearance of both mammoth business house and a temple, modern to the finest point of architecture.

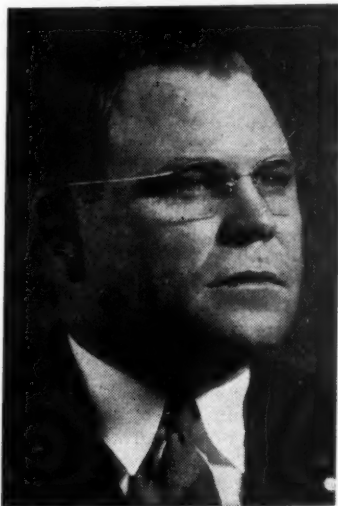
The interior of the fan-shaped auditorium presents a lovely arrangement of restful seats for 1,500 people who can be at ease while they hear their outstanding pastor preach God's Word in his masterly style, and the splendid choir, special singers, and orchestra as they fill the building to its terraced ceiling with music and melody. Every phase of the building suggests that the thought in the builder's mind was the best of service to all.

For instance, a glass-fronted nursery, equipped with receiving sets, to which the mothers may retreat with their restless children, is over the front of the auditorium.

To the back and over the rostrum is glass opening to the baptistry seven or eleven feet, and a lovely scene of John baptizing Jesus in the Jordan river is placed as a background. The rugs and stage curtains are beautiful and cost hundreds of dollars. The organ and piano are worth thousands. The pulpit is not decorated, but plain and pretty. The altar is unpretentious but indispensable.

I was informed before I arrived that I should have a guide with me so as to avoid getting lost in going through the fifty-two rooms. I hadn't gone far before I realized the wisdom in the advice. There are Sunday School rooms for all ages and for hundreds. At 11:00 A.M. on this great day of October 10, there were 2,922 in attendance. The small auditorium accommodates 480. There are adequate rest rooms, cloak rooms, and a lovely pastor's study.

The natural question in your mind is, 'Well, a building like that surely cost plenty,' and indeed it did. Yet, when you consider the abnormal price of materials and labor you are surprised to know that it cost only \$264,060. This was possible by careful planning and management by Rev. Earl P. Paulk, Mr. Leon Legrand, architect, and Charlie Daniel, contractor, Mr.



Rev. Earl P. Paulk

Hardin, who laid the foundation, Mr. Owens, master mason, Mr. Aycock (pastor's nephew), steel fitter, and Mr. Shelton, superintendent, who would not allow an oath on the job.

At the beginning of the service, Brother Paulk said there was a balance owed of \$141,900, but when the following outstanding men in city, county, state, and national affairs: Hubert Nolin, P. D. Meadors, Charlie Rice, D. B. Leatherwood, Mayor Cass, and Senator Joseph R. Bryson, brought up the morning's offering, the debt was reduced \$4,179.68.

The service was inspired greatly by the orchestra directed by Joe Milligan, assistant pastor, singing by the choir, directed by Elbert Landreth, and special singing by the Southern Melodiers and Greenwood Quartet. Rev. Zeno C. Tharp gave the historette of the Church of God in Greenville as no one else could. He gave each of the following pastors honorable mention:

Emmett Doster, who started the work in 1920; Ed Johnson, who nursed the infant church from 1921-'23; O. H. Tollison, found the membership in a propped-up building with dirt floor in 1923; Rev. E. M. Ellis undertook the pastorate in a building previously used as a pool room in 1924, but by 1926, when he was succeeded by his illustrious father, J. B. Ellis, he had built

a small church; Zeno C. Tharp took the pastorate in 1927 and soon enlarged the building. A gracious revival brought the membership to such a large number as to make further expansion necessary. So in 1932, Brother Tharp and the membership erected the first section of a wonderful brick building just across the street, on the corner of Tremont and Lady streets. It had a full Sunday School basement. Reverend Tharp was elected president of our B.T.S. in 1935 and was succeeded by Rev. Earl P. Paulk. It wasn't long before Brother Paulk and his membership realized that another expansion program was in demand. In order to meet the need, they erected a twin addition alongside their building, and when the building was completed it was the largest church auditorium, I understand, in South Carolina and the largest in the Church of God.

In 1939 Brother Paulk was appointed state overseer of Georgia, and former state overseer of South Carolina A. V. Beaube became his successor. Reverend Beaube was appointed overseer of Georgia in 1940, and Rev. J. T. Roberts was appointed pastor and served two years, after which time Rev. Houston R. Morehead became the pastor and served until 1944, when he was appointed state overseer of Michigan and was succeeded by former pastor Rev. Earl P. Paulk. After three gracious years in his second term, Brother Paulk was subjected to a shock too great for anyone but a strong, courageous, broad-shouldered man to bear. During the night of August 6, 1947, the church went up in flames. It was a tragedy felt throughout the Church of God, and indeed more severely by him and his members, but by faith, he and his members and friends saw this great church building rising out of the ashes of their last building.

Miss South Carolina sang "God Bless America," after which Senator Bryson presented to the pastor and church a large U. S. flag that had flown over the Capitol in Washington, D. C. Governor Thurmond of South Carolina and Mrs. Thurmond were present and both spoke. Two very singular honors were bestowed upon our good and deserving pastor. First, the church and

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Foreign Missions

All the World—
Every Creature



J. H. WALKER
Executive Missions Secretary

EXCERPTS FROM THE DIARY OF J. HERBERT WALKER, JR.

Port-au-Prince, Haiti

"September 15, 1948, Wednesday. At twelve-forty, one year ago today, Lucille and I set our feet on Haiti for the first time. During this past year we have had many a heartbreak, many an encouragement . . . many trials and much loneliness. However, since it was our first time to have any actual responsibility to amount to anything, it has made a big change in both of us. I know that I am a different person. Yet, I am sure we will be changed considerably more before another year is passed."

"During this past year in Haiti I have driven the jeep station wagon more than 10,000 miles and the jeep more than 6,000 miles. Sixteen thousand miles is a long, hard grind on the cars, and the driver especially, on roads such as these in Haiti. I have had thirty-six flats and two blowouts. I have visited thirty-four different churches during this past year (many of them many times). From August, 1947, through August, 1948, we have added 238 members, 3,276 new persevering saints, or a total of 3,514 new followers added to the Church. Last year we had 13,072 faithful followers in Haiti, and this year we have 16,586. Also, we have reopened seven schools; we have organized eight new churches and forty-five stations, and have made arrangements to organize five more churches before the conventions in January."

After a busy week of councils with various ministers, attending the regular schedule with the orphanage, completing a big mimeograph job and mailing it out to the church, and again another important conference with ministers on the Port-au-Prince district, Saturday afternoon he writes as follows:

"September 19, Sunday. This morn-

ing I studied the Bible some. I read the books of Timothy, Hebrews, and part of First Corinthians. Also, I prayed some . . . and went to church at Port-au-Prince."

DOWN IN GUATEMALA

September 30, 1948.—We have just returned from a two weeks' evangelistic tour up on the Tonicapan Department. The Lord was with us and we feel that the work in those parts was strengthened by these special services. However, due to the fact that on some of our trips we were forced to walk several hours in heavy rains, and then to remain through the long service in wet clothing, we caught severe colds. As you know, it is anything but warm in the Guatemalan highlands, in an altitude of eight to nine thousand feet.

As reported by Dorothy and Luther Carroll, Guatemala.

BROTHER STOPPE'S REPORTS OF VIRGIN ISLANDS

In the Virgin Islands, the church, with the platform, will seat possibly 175 people. They have about \$800 in the church treasury, plus \$30 in Sunday School treasury. The church was paying between \$30 and \$35 tithes a month. Everything is operating like it does in the States. The pastor gets all the tithes paid in. The people are very poor. The church is forty by fifty feet, built on the order of a modern church. When we left the Island there were about fifty-two members.

We had street meetings, which were wonderful. Thirty-seven prayed through on the street in one night. We sang and prayed until they prayed through. We were away from the Island (Virgin) about a year, and when I went back I did not see one member gone. The people really hold on to God. When we went there we had no

young people at all, but now they really have a group. When we put on a program we repeated it twice so all the people could come to see it. We always took up a silver offering, because if we didn't the children would come and take the seats.

One girl had been such a disturbance in the church, but she got saved, and it certainly helped the church.

There is not much work to be had there. A rich man there owns a theater and several other things, but he wants those who work for him to sell liquor. Our people won't do this. One of our girls was working there, and when it came to selling liquor she just wouldn't do it. She walked out. The rich man told her to come back, that she could stay at the cash register and would not have to sell liquor. He said he would respect anyone who had convictions like that.

BACKSLIDER SAVED AND BROUGHT FROM DEATHBED

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"Lord God, just save my soul if I have to die, please save me, don't let me enter that terrible place." I did not think much about my body being healed then. It was my soul I wanted under the blood. The Lord Jesus saved my soul and touched my body right then. I was blind and had not been able to open my eyes for about fourteen days, but God healed me, praise His name. For three months I could not walk. He touched my back and legs, and I am well today.

For four months I was really tired. My faith was weak sometimes, but I would plead the blood. Just as I would get over one thing something else would set up. The doctors said they did not think I would ever walk again, or be much better, but a higher Physician came on the scene. Jesus did it all, praise His name!

I want this to be a help to sinners and backsliders. My, my, it is a terrible thing to be on your deathbed without God. If you are a sinner and read this, please accept the Lord now for tomorrow may be too late.—Elmer Rushing.

HE HAS HELPED ME

ST. MATTHEWS, S. C.—I thank God for His great blessings to me. He has healed my body many times. I was down with heart trouble, but He has helped me wonderfully. Praise the Lord!—A. D. Mitchell.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

GOOD NEWS

*O weary one, heartsick and worn,
Those sick in body as well,
Please lend to me a listening ear;
I have good news to tell:*

*There's one I know can help you:
One who is tried and true,
One who can give you joy in living
As no one else can do.*

Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness

*And bade them look on and live—
bid you look to Jesus,
Who all your needs can give.*

*He giveth rest to the weary:
All your sins He will forgive.
O troubled and afflicted,
Look to Him and truly live!*

—Anon.

PRAY FOR—

Me to be healed of a severe headache; lost loved ones; special request.—Mrs. Era Herman, Selma, Ala.

My son who has a tumor in his head, also a growth or pressure against his eyes, causing him to lose his sight.—Queen E. Brown, Miami, Fla.

My husband to be healed of stomach trouble; my family.—Mrs. Daniel R. Jones, Blacksburg, Va.

A neighbor to be healed of nervousness; my son who has rheumatic heart; an unspoken request.—Mrs. Ellridge Paynter, Man, W. Va.

Me to be healed of neuritis.—Mrs. L. Moore. Me to be healed; unspoken request.—Mrs. Joseph Godbold, McCall, S. C.

God to heal me.—Mrs. Blanche Nelms, Burlington, S. C.

My son-in-law to get the victory; my son; me.—M. A. Tate, Crown Hill, W. Va.

My body to be healed; God to use me in His work.—Mrs. D. S. Colvert, St. Augustine, Fla.

God to heal my body of heart, kidney, and stomach trouble; my husband to be saved because it's too late.—Marcella Drawdy, Orangeburg, S. C.

The healing of a sister who is seriously ill; my family.—Mrs. Claude W. Davis, Calhoun, Ga.

Me to be healed of stomach trouble.—Mae Parkins, Pavo, Ga.

Friends to be healed and their faith increased.—Naomi Phillips, Moundsville, W. Va.

My unsaved sister, who has cancer, to be healed and saved.—F. M. Blagg, Traskwood, Ark.

Me to be healed of cancer.—Mrs. Alice Whitt, Penlawson, W. Va.

The healing of my body; my mother, who has kidney and bladder trouble, to be healed; my father to be healed; our unsaved children.—Mrs. Hattie Goodrum, Bethel Springs, Tenn.

The healing of my stiff hip that was broken; our revival.—Paul M. Dingess, Chapmanville, W. Va.

J. S. Cribb to be healed, is in a bad condition.—Raymond Jeffords, Waresboro, Ga.

The Lord to help me in my work.—Mrs. Maria Bell, Talladega, Ala.

My baby to be healed and be able to walk.—Mrs. Radie Payne, Dalton, Ga.

Me to be healed of cancer.—H. A. McNemar. My health.—Mrs. Rebecca Alford.

My husband and loved ones to be saved; my brother to be healed also.—Sallie A. Freeman.

A very special unspoken request.—D. W. Coker, Wallace, Idaho.

My daughter to be healed of T. B.—Altha Williams, Washington, N. C.

My baby to be healed of a growth on its neck; me.—Mrs. James West.

My husband to be healed of T. B.—Mrs. Edna Basham, Princeton, W. Va.

Me to be healed; my son to get custody of his child; my children; my brother to be saved.—Marie Franklin, Clarksville, Ga.

My healing.—Mrs. H. A. Sprengel, Poplar Bluff, Mo.

My wife to be healed of sugar diabetes.—W. E. Foster.

The healing of my wife's body; John Steele to be healed of high blood pressure.—George Dalton, Scottsboro, Ala.

Little Jerry Monroe to be healed of epilepsy.—Mrs. Odelle Wells, Ashland, Ala.

Me to be healed of cancer.—Mrs. Sid Latham, Friendship, Tenn.

My healing.—Mrs. Julia Ingham Jones, Lithia, Fla.

Me to be healed of low blood pressure and acid stomach; our pastor's wife who has gallstones.—Mrs. E. T. Grier, Montgomery, Ala.

Me to be healed.—Sarah J. Franklin.

My daughter to be healed and saved; a sister who has cancer.—Sister Young.

My healing.—E. P. Crain.

Me to be healed; two special unspoken requests.—Mrs. Mollie Walker, Starkville, Miss.

Two souls to be saved.—Grace Keeney, Waterford, Calif.

God to heal my body; my husband; unsaved loved ones.—Ruby Ralph, Pittsburg, Kans.

Me and my loved ones to be saved; my husband to be healed of heart and lung trouble; an unspoken request.—Mrs. J. A. Douglas, Jellico, Tenn.

Me to be healed of cancer.—Mrs. Chas. Burkhart, Hazel Green, Ky.

My father and grandfather who are very ill; my family.—Mrs. Ellen Chance, Lepanto, Ark.

My healing.—Mrs. J. Rose, Richmond, Calif.

My husband and me to be healed; unspoken requests.—Mrs. Ruth M. Trumbo, Rayville, La.

God to deliver my brother from drink.—Nannie B. Nash, Colorado Spring, Colo.

Mrs. Grace Ross, Weir, Kans., who fell and broke her hip.

The healing of my body; my loved ones to be saved; an unspoken request.—Mrs. Webster Duncan, McComb, Miss.

My husband's hands and feet be healed of muck poison; loved ones to be saved.—Bessie Heard, Apopka, Fla.

My daughter, who has been a cripple all her life, to be healed.—Mrs. J. C. Brewer, Leeco, Ky.

Us to do the will of God; my eyes; children's healing; urgent unspoken request.—Mrs. Albert King, Pittsview, Ala.

The healing of my daughter.—Mrs. Julia Ingham Jones, Lithia, Fla.

My sister, Mrs. Oreatha Morgan, to be healed of tumor of the brain.—Mrs. Thelma Weikle, Roncove, W. Va.

My complete healing.—Margaret Ward, Williamson, N. C.

My husband, a veteran, who has lost his mind.—Christine Dain, West Palm Beach, Fla.

God to undertake for us.—Mr. and Mrs. Orville Porter, Lorain, Ohio.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. Mabel Carr, Davis, W. Va.

The healing of Samuel Lanham.—Mrs. Lanham, Springfield, Pa.

My afflicted daughter; my niece to be healed.—Mrs. Laura Wheeler, Monroe, Va.

which was formerly the Presbyterian church. Many are looking towards the Church of God here. Pray for us.—P. H. Hammond.

THE UNTOLD STORY

If I could tell a story
As lovely as could be,
I'd tell it about Jesus
Who gave His life for me.

I'd picture Him to sinners
When He died upon the tree;
I'd tell of His wondrous love
And the place He's preparing for you and me.

I would unfold the beauty of heaven,
The story that's never been told.
The place where there is no sickness,
Where the streets are made of pure gold.

He is a wonderful Saviour
And He is always very near;
In His arms He takes and shields us
When our friends fall us here.

May I always live for Jesus
Who all our troubles shares,
He is preparing us a heaven
And there is no disappointment there.

Isn't that a wonderful Saviour
He hears and answers prayer
And when I get to heaven
I want you friends to meet me there.
—Hoke Anderson.

TESTIMONIES

Testimony and Request

LOVELY, Ky.—I have been feeling much better and I am getting stronger. I have been able to sit up a little and walk about for which I thank God. I wrote you some time ago for prayer. I want you to continue to pray that God will heal my body completely and make me strong and able to walk normally. I am trusting Him for my strength and health.—Lydia H. Workman.

Hold on to God

LONGSVILLE, Ohio—This morning I praise the Lord because I am still saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. I have just fasted and prayed seven times a day for seven days, and the Lord has blessed me and showed me the Church of God is coming into its full power. Saints, hold on to God with all of your might and prevail in prayer until God comes on the scene. I praise the Lord for healing my body. Pray for me.—Louise Barm.

His Blessings Are on Our Work

SAVANNAH, Ga.—Just a few lines in praise to Him for His blessings on the work here. We have had an increase in every department this year. Our Sunday School has more than doubled; the church membership has in-

creased forty-eight; the Y.P.E. has doubled; and the tithes have increased from \$160 a month to \$500 a month. We have a radio broadcast every Sunday night from 10:00 to 10:30, over Station WFRP, 1230 on your dial. We have bought another church building,

Reports

FROM THE FIELD

ECHOES FROM VIRGINIA MINISTERS' MEETING

PRAYER CONFERENCE

That we have a prayer conference to be held in the central part of the State, this prayer conference to start at 7:00 P. M. Tuesday and conclude at the end of the evening session on Thursday, during the second week of February. Pulaski was selected by the ministers as the place for the meeting.

LIGHTED PATHWAY

That *Lighted Pathway* distribution be not less than fifty per cent of the membership of each local church.

EVANGEL

That the *Evangel* subscription quota be not less than fifty per cent of the membership of each local church, and that the number of subscriptions obtained each month be sent to the state office. That each church have one, or more, *Evangel* representatives for the purpose of securing and receiving subscriptions.

AGED MINISTERS

That every pastor set aside a "Special Rally Day" in each church for the purpose of honoring our aged ministers, and that a special offering be taken for them and sent to the state secretary, not later than February 1, 1949.

LADIES WILLING WORKERS' BAND

That Sister John C. Jernigan serve as state president of the L. W. W. B., and that where possible the district pastors' wives serve as her assistants on their respective districts.

STATE AND DISTRICT CONVENTION MISSION OFFERINGS

That all orphanage and mission offerings be on a freewill basis.

The main purpose and work of the Church of God is to go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature; this we have endeavored to do, and have extended the Church of God into about one thousand communities, in thirty foreign countries, but we have not completed our task. In the last two, or three, years our work has grown to such proportions, and our foreign mission offerings have increased so little, that our Foreign Missions Board has not had sufficient funds to enter the many

doors of opportunities. Due to the urgent need in our Foreign Missions Department, we, the ministers in the state of Virginia, agree to boost a big offering for the purpose of furthering this glorious gospel in the foreign and benighted heathen lands.

Most of you know by now, perhaps, that our former General Overseer, Rev. John C. Jernigan, is the present state overseer of the dominion state—Virginia. He is a great state overseer over a great state—J. D. B.

GOOD NEWS FROM THE MISSISSIPPI MINISTERS' MEETING

WE RECOMMEND: EVANGELISM

1. That we continue our efforts of evangelism in new fields, and that said work be under the supervision of the state overseer, district overseers, and the state mission board, and that they receive the cooperation of the pastors in contacting new places.

2. That we set as our objective at least one new church on every district. That each pastor, with the cooperation of his church, endeavor to establish a new church in a new field, and that each church and pastor wholeheartedly support new-field efforts on their districts.

3. That each church and pastor put forth a special effort to sponsor two or more revivals sometime during the year, and that they secure the services of regular evangelists where possible, and that pastors take the initiative in securing evangelists for revivals.

MISSIONS

1. That each church and pastor be responsible to raise a special district convention mission offering.

2. That each church and pastor be responsible to raise a special state convention mission offering.

PRAYER CONFERENCES

1. That we have three prayer conferences, of three days' duration each—one to be held in the southern section, one in the central section, and one in the northern section of the State.

PUBLICATIONS

1. That our *Evangel* quota be one

for every two members (new or renewal subscriptions), and that when the quota is reached the state overseer be notified.

2. That churches with a membership of 100 and over take at least three rolls of the *Lighted Pathway* each month, that churches with a membership of 50 to 100 take not less than two rolls each month, and churches with a membership of 49 and under take not less than one roll each month.

STATE YOUTH WORK

6. That the manner of raising orphanage money be left to the state and district youth directors.

8. That each church and pastor sponsor a Daily Vacation Bible School sometime during the school vacation period.

9. That we have a state youth congress, same to be held in connection with our state camp meeting and convention, and that the state overseer and state youth director decide as to the duration of said congress.

CAMPGROUND

1. That a campground investigating committee, composed of the state overseer, M. H. Kennedy, and J. L. Brasher, investigate the possibility of arranging to have the state camp meeting, state convention, and state youth congress on our state campground property, said committee be required to report their findings to the prayer conferences.

8. That the pastor of each church set one day annually in honor of our aged ministers for the purpose of raising a love offering for these precious brethren.

These are just a few of the high points of the program, yet they prove that state overseer John L. Byrd and his ministers really plan to do things in Mississippi.—J. D. B.

HIGH LIGHTS OF IOWA AND NEBRASKA STATE MINISTERS' MEETING

4. That the Willing Workers' Band be organized in every church, and that a report from each Band be sent to Mrs. Carl Cox, state headquarters.

5. That each pastor get as many as one *Church of God Evangel* subscription to every two members.

6. That each church have an organized Y. P. E. and that each Y. P. E. sell as many *Lighted Pathways* as possible, or at least one roll.

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REVIVALS

EAST LAKE, Ala.—A revival has just closed here. John C. (Jack) Dudley, who has just returned to the States, was the evangelist. Souls were stirred and blessed. Every soul that was saved and sanctified came through rejoicing in the old-time way. God certainly blessed. Many said it was the best revival there in many years. Several were saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost and added to the church. The new pastor is C. M. Day, who is beginning a great building program there.

SLATER, S. C.—We have just closed an old-time revival at the Church of God here. Thirty-five were saved, twenty sanctified, eleven filled with the Holy Ghost, and thirteen added to the church. Several people were healed. Every department of the church is growing. We had ninety-one members when I came here July 22, 1947, and have gained over 50 per cent in membership. The revival was conducted by the pastor, assisted by G. W. Teems and Robert Stancil. Pray for us.—C. E. McAbee, Pastor.

NEWNAN, Ga.—We have just closed a glorious eight weeks' revival here. I have been in the church twelve years and this was the most wonderful revival I have ever attended. The power of the precious Holy Ghost began falling the first night and continued throughout the eight weeks. On the last night, the Holy Ghost took charge, and four fell at the altar seeking to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Brother A. W. Harper, of LaGrange, Ga., Box 396, was the evangelist. If you are in need of a revival at your church, Reverend Harper is the evangelist you need. He and Sister Harper are humble servants of God, and I'm sure God will pour out an abundant revival. Try him; he will do your church good. There were fourteen saved, twelve sanctified, eleven filled with the Holy Ghost, twelve added to the church, and fourteen baptized in water. We do praise God for what He did for us during the meeting. So many times we tried to have a revival, but always the devil defeated. Praise God, this time we de-

feated the devil. He fought us, yes, but the power of the Holy Ghost kept him on the outside. All he could do was look in. Pray for us at Newnan that we may ever be a light for God and keep the revival fire burning.—Mrs. A. C. Greene.

BELTON, S. C.—The church here has just closed a two weeks' revival conducted by the new pastor, Rev. G. C. Hamby. He did some wonderful preaching, and the church was greatly blessed. Three were saved, three sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, and nine added to the church. We thank God for sending us Brother Hamby and family. The church is making great progress, spiritually and financially. We have bought new furniture for the parsonage. There is a great future for the church in Belton, God being our helper. Every department of the church is making progress. The Sunday School has had an increase every Sunday for the last two months.—Dora Frances Campbell.

JEFFERSON CITY, Tenn.—We have just closed a revival at Jefferson City, with twenty-six saved, seventeen sanctified, and twenty-two filled with the Holy Ghost. Thirteen were baptized in water and eleven added to the church. Brother Haskel Jenkins was the evangelist. We are glad to have you back in the State, Brother Bright, and may God bless you in your new work.—J. S. Black.

LAURINBURG, N. C.—Some say the days of revivals are over, but we praise God here in Laurinburg because we have just closed one of the greatest revivals we have ever attended. This is one time the devil took the back seat. Rev. A. V. Childers and his evangelistic party were at their best during this campaign. It seemed that each night God would undertake in a special way, and there were many blessed. Brother Childers did some of the best preaching I have ever heard, and his messages will linger on with us here in Laurinburg. Brother Childers made friends in this city, and they will never forget him. He preached under the anointing, and such sermons that

God did bring through him!

There were 315 saved, 190 sanctified, 101 baptized with the Holy Ghost, and 50 united with the church, not counting the other neighboring churches which also were blessed with new members. The revival spirit is still with us, and in our weekly prayer meetings and on the week-end services we are still having wonderful altar services. May God bless Brother Childers and keep His hand upon him, because he is a man of God.—R. P. Fields, Pastor.

ELBERTON, Ga.—The Church of God here has recently been in a revival, and God has wonderfully blessed. There were three saved, two sanctified, two baptized with the Holy Ghost, and two added to the church. Our own pastor, Brother J. W. Heaton, was our evangelist. He was new to us at that time, and we learned to love him in the revival. We all think Brother and Sister Heaton and daughter, Naomi, are a God-sent family to our church. Every message he brought was so inspiring and it seemed to lift us to new heights. Please pray very much for our church and the sinners around us.—Sister J. C. Hayes.

THONOTASASSA, Fla.—Rev. C. O. Bachelor, of the East Tampa Church of God, was our well-beloved evangelist in a two weeks' revival. Two were saved, two sanctified, and one baptized with the Holy Ghost. Four united with the church.—Eugene Jackson, Clerk.

PLYMOUTH, N. C.—Rev. E. E. Hurst and daughter, Louise, held a six weeks' revival in June and July at Plymouth, in the Church of God tent. We surely did have a good revival. The Lord blessed us wonderfully. There were several souls saved, two sanctified, and one backslider brought back to the Lord. We had good attendance. There were souls at the altar every night asking God to bless their souls. Just as the revival was to come to a close, Brother F. A. Boger, of Rocky Mount, came down and organized the Church of God here at Plymouth. We are proud of the Church of God and we thank God for everyone who has taken a part in it. We are happy to say that there were fifteen united with the church the night it was organized. We thank God for our good pastor and wife, Brother and Sister T. L. Little. Please pray for us.—Dennie Jefferson.

ATONEMENT THROUGH THE BLOOD

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imal but the body of Jesus Christ. His own blessed body was sacrificed for us. V. 14, "For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified." Christ was the last sacrifice for sins and sin. In the Old Testament days, had a spiritual Israelite been questioned concerning his hopes for full redemption, he no doubt would have replied that this lay in the future, in the coming of the perfect Messiah, for these Old Testament animal sacrifices were but types and shadows of better things to come.

As animal sacrifices lay smoking, frying, and quivering on Jewish altars in those days, they were constant reminders of the one great object lesson God intended for the people to know—that without the shedding of blood is no remission. Heb. 9:22. And they were index fingers pointing to the death of Jesus Christ upon the cross to pay the sin debt of the world.

Now the Bible teaches that Abraham was justified, as well as many others, before Jesus died on the cross (Rom. 4:2), but these were saved and justified in anticipation of the future sacrifice. For proof of this we cite you to Heb. 9:15, which plainly says that Jesus died for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament. Rom. 3:24, 25 teaches the same thing. In these two verses Paul declares that God set Christ forth (in His blood on the cross) to be a propitiation (mercy seat) through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission (forgiveness) of sins that are past (under the old testament), through the forbearance of God. These verses teach that the death of Christ was retroactive in that it had to do with sins that were past.

4. The scope of the blood atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ includes all races, classes, creeds, colors, tribes, and nationalities, from the king on his throne to the peasant in his tent, the head-hunting cannibals of the dark jungles of heathen lands, and even to the beggar at the gate of the potters' field. We cite the following verses to prove this: John 3:16. The word "whosoever" here means everybody, if it means anything, and surely it means plenty. Heb. 2:9. He tasted death for every

man. 1 Tim 2:6. He gave Himself a ransom for all. These verses don't mean that all are going to be finally saved, but that all could be saved if they would. The atonement is sufficient for all, and efficient for all who put faith in Christ. The atonement is limited only by man's unbelief. The old view which claims that the atonement was for only a certain group then is untrue. John 1:29 says the Lamb of God taketh away the sin of the world (mankind); John 10:15, He died for the sheep; Acts 20:28, He died for the Church; Rom 5:6, Christ died for the ungodly; v. 8, He died for sinners; v. 10, He died for His enemies; Gal. 2:20, He died for Paul; 1 Cor. 8:11, He died for the weak brother; Matt 20:28, He gave His life a ransom for many.

That, my friend, is one of the reasons why we should live for Him. The poet said, "I'll live for Him who died for me. How happy then my life will be." The blood atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ is all-inclusive and far-reaching in its effects. As we have said, it is for all, but benefits only those who accept it by confession and faith.

5. The essentiality of the atonement.

The need for blood atonement is twofold: (1) The holiness of God demands it; (2) the sinfulness of man demands it. Since God is absolutely holy in essence and character, some means of propitiation must be provided before sinful man can approach unto and have a communion with a Holy God. The means of this approach is set forth in the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. Heb 10:19, 20. The eternal Word says here that we enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus. Sin puts men at a distance from God, but the atonement bridges over the distance and draws men near to God. In Eph 2:13, Paul says that the Gentiles were one time far off, but now are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

6. What blood atonement does in the lives of those who accept it.

First of all, it provides a pardon of sins and transgressions. Eph 1:7. We have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. Rev. 1:5, "Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood." Notice, He loved us when we were unlovely and defiled with all kinds of sins. Our friends usually love us at our best, but He loved us when we were at our worst. We have been given such a blessed position in grace that as long

as we remain justified we can be confident our sins of the past will not meet us in the judgment (1 Tim. 5:24), for our sins have already gone on beforehand to judgment, so that there is no condemnation (judgment) to them which are in Christ Jesus. Rom. 8:1, John 5:24. We shall not come into judgment for sins, if we remain true to God, for our sins were judged when we accepted the Lord Jesus Christ into our hearts and lives. When we accepted the atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ we became children of God, and as such we are saved from the penalty of sin, for the Lord Jesus Himself, our substitute, took our penalty. Isa. 53:6.

Through the atonement we have eternal life. John 3:36, "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life." 1 John 5:12, "He that hath the Son hath life." We have it now in a measure, and will have it in its fullness when Jesus comes, for "he that overcometh shall inherit all things," Rev. 21:7. Then we will have final victory over death. 1 Cor. 15:54. There is coming a day when death will be swallowed up in victory. Then it can be sung, "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" Where the atoning blood of the Lord Jesus has been preached and exalted as the only hope for sinful man, drunkards have been made sober, thieves have been made honest, the crooked has been made strait, the liar has been made truthful, the harlot has been made pure, broken homes have been reunited; the blood has produced better men, better women, better fathers, better mothers, better husbands, better wives, better church members, better neighbors, better citizens, better employees. What a testimony to the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ! We challenge all the heathen religions, all the cult religions and all the modern religions put together to produce a testimony like this. Theirs may be a religion of words, but the old-time blood religion gets the job done.

Conclusion:

"There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Emmanuel's veins;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains."

"Jesus paid it all,
Jesus paid it all.
Sin had left a crimson stain;
He washed it white as snow." Amen.

HIGH LIGHTS OF IOWA AND NEBRASKA STATE MINISTERS' MEETING

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7. That a special mission offering for the district convention be brought, half of this offering to remain in the state fund, and also a special mission offering for the state convention.

8. That each church launch a revival campaign and that each pastor and evangelist do his best to get one church organized this year.

9. That the old age ministers' fund be raised by November 15, 1948. That each member of the church pay at least ten cents. That each minister pay one per cent of his tithes on the old age fund to send each month with his report.

10. That a home extension of Sunday School be launched from each church, if possible.

11. Please notice it was passed in the General Assembly that a freewill offering be taken in each church for the College, Cleveland, Tennessee. With your November report, send it to the General Treasurer, Cleveland, Tennessee. Send not less than \$1.00 per member.

This is Rev. Cox's first appointment as state overseer, but he has had years of experience as a successful evangelist and pastor. I have been intimately acquainted with Brother Cox for a long time, and I know that his ministers and laymen in Iowa and Nebraska will find him to be one of the most diligent, thoughtful, consecrated ministers in the Church of God. J. D. B.

THE CHURCH OF CHURCHES

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Friends gave him a silver loving cup, when Dr. Hansen, president of theighthouse Bible College, Rockford, Illinois, conferred upon him the degree Doctor of Divinity. Since the Light-house Bible College is an outstanding accredited institution, Reverend Paulk has a right to appreciate his "D.D." Time came for the dedicatory message by none other than our esteemed General Overseer, Rev. H. L. Chesser. "I was one of the most timely, precise, and concise messages I ever heard. I am giving you the outline of his sermon and it will be easy for you to arrive at some idea of the body of the message."

DEDICATION—Ex. 25:8

"Twenty-nine years ago, our prede-

cessors brought forth in this city a new church, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that here men shall hear the full gospel and have freedom of expression of their feelings upon acceptance of the gospel. There have been struggles and battles fought here; there has been a great fire, testing whether that church so conceived and so dedicated may continue. We are met on the ashes of that fire. We have come to dedicate this beautiful structure as a memorial to the faith, courage, and devotion of those who so nobly fought and sacrificed here that this church may continue.

"This city will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what has been done here."

"Dedicate this building as a home for the believer."

"Dedicate it as a place to preach and hear the full gospel."

"Dedicate it as a place of fellowship."

"Dedicate it as a place of communion of friends, of brethren."

"Dedicate it as a place where the Holy Spirit may work, convicting, converting, sanctifying, baptising, healing."

"Dedicate it as a place for consolation (funeral), last rites."

"Dedicate it as a place to dedicate ourselves to the great task before us, of finishing the work so nobly advanced since this church began."

"Dedicate it as a CHURCH with a welcome and a MESSAGE."

"Dedicate it as a holy place; reverence it as such."

"Dedicate it as a place to meet God."

"We dedicate the tower and chimes—baptistry—altar—studio (broadcasting)."

Reverend Chesser closed his message by asking the tired but happy pastor to pray the dedicatory prayer. I need not tell you who know him that he prayed until we all felt God heard and he gave the building and everyone present to God as fully as it was humanly possible. I have written at length, and yet I am leaving much unsaid. You know that by looking at this picture. Now I close with the words from Haggai 2:9, "The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts."—Editor-in-Chief.



IRVIN

On August 29, 1948, the death angel visited the home of Rev. F. H. Irvin and called him home to be with Jesus. He was a bishop in the Church of God and a faithful minister. The funeral was conducted at the Ladds Church of God, by Rev. John D. Smith, assisted by Brother Joe Calston. Pray for the bereaved family.—His sister, Bertie Gains.

SUTHERLAND

On September 2, 1948, Jesse Sutherland passed away after an illness of many years. He was a former minister of the church and an earnest worker of God. He is survived by his wife, four sons, and three daughters.—Mrs. Clementine Sutherland.

LEWIS

Brother Willie Lewis was born April 5, 1899, and passed away September 28, 1948. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife and six sons, four grandchildren, and friends. He was a member of the Church of God at Barnabus, W. Va.

WRIGHT

In memory of my dear father, W. C. Wright, sixty-seven years of age, who departed this life on October 11, 1948. He was not a member of the church but believed in holiness and attended the church. He leaves his wife and eight children. His widow and four children are members of the Church of God, one being a minister. We miss our dear daddy but have hopes of seeing him on the other shore.—Mrs. Alton Banon, Bogata, Texas.

MILLER

Sister Rosa Miller, a faithful member of the Church of God at Roanoke Rapids, N. C., went to be with Jesus February 1, 1948, age fifty-one years. She was happy all through her illness, and her encouraging words still ring in our memories. To the young people, she was like a mother. Surviving are her husband, Brother Zack Miller, two sons, two daughters, two grandchildren. Her kindness won her countless friends, who feel her passing deeply.—Jean Scott, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

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